

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION & HERITAGE COMMISSION

Old State House 150 Benefit Street Providence, RI 02903

Telephone 401-222-2678 TTY 401-222-3700 Fax 401-222-2968 www.preservation.ri.gov

January 24, 2005 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Sarah Zurier, Special Projects, RIHPHC, 401-222-4142

RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION & HERITAGE COMMISSION SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR 2005 STATE PRESERVATION AWARDS

The Rhode Island Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission (RIHPHC) is seeking nominations for the 2005 State Historic Preservation Awards. Each year, the Commission presents the State Historic Preservation Awards to honor individuals, organizations, and projects for their outstanding contributions to the preservation of our state's historic resources. Award categories include Advocacy, Artisanship, Education, Planning, Preservation Project, and Stewardship, as well as the Antoinette F. Downing Volunteer Service Award and the Frederick C. Williamson Professional Leadership Award.

The 2005 State Historic Preservation Awards will be presented at the 20th Annual Rhode Island Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, to take place on Saturday, April 23 from 8:30 am to 6 pm in Newport. Titled "Preserving Historic Houses of Worship," the day-long conference will examine preservation issues regarding historic churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and other historic buildings used for worship.

To nominate a person, property, or project for a 2005 State Historic Preservation Award, please print a nomination form from the RIHPHC website, www.preservation.ri.gov, or call 401-222-2671 to request a form. The nomination deadline is February 12, 2005.